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My dear Mr. Collier I can with you see no probable  
reason why Mr. Peel should displace Port. & his  
majority be sufficient I do not see why he should  
if things take a contrary turn I do not see how he  
could. I should hope that in the forthcoming order  
of things communications will fall into the  
decent & convenient practice of Fox & Pitt,  
notes & red boxes. Personal interviews under the  
peculiar circumstances of this new reign was  
natural & justifiable, but its excess ought to have  
ceased on the marriage, & Melbourne himself can  
hardly be aware of the mischief it has done him  
into the constituencies in this election.  
It is absurd to make either resolutions or  
declarations as to contingencies, I make neither,  
but I am pretty sure you will do wisely to  
omit my name from the lists of new administration  
which every body I presume is amusing himself  
in making. Temporary excitement is a



specific in my opinion for my complaints, but  
constant wear & tear would be destruction, &  
the ordinary business of Parlt is very much more  
than I can do to my own satisfaction. I could not  
ask or accept a peerage without jeopardizing  
the only real advantage my position has enabled  
me to contribute to the common stock. In addition  
to all this I know as well as any who could  
tell me that in office I should not be with my  
dust. I can speak to mobs well enough, &  
with much labour can get up a subject for  
the H. of Commons, but I am no debater.  
If you are in town at the meeting I shall  
wish to show you my cartoon pencil &  
drawings.

I do not like the Palestine affair at all.

Yours truly

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